Durant, Iowa

Financial Statements and Supplemental Data

**December 31, 2006** 

#### DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT Durant, Iowa

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# DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT Durant, Iowa Officials

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

TITLE	TERM EXPIRES
Chairman	December 31, 2007
Board Member	December 31, 2009
Board Member	December 31, 2011
	Chairman  Board Member

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS A PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY COMPANY

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Durant Municipal Electric Plant Durant, Iowa

We have audited the accompanying statement of net assets of the Durant Municipal Electric Plant as of December 31, 2006, and the related statements of revenue, expenses and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Durant Municipal Electric Plant's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U. S. generally accepted auditing standards, Chapter 11 of the Code of Iowa and the standards applicable to financial audits in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards and provisions require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the basic financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall basic financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Durant Municipal Electric Plant, as of December 31, 2006, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated July 23, 2007, on our consideration of Durant Municipal Electric Plant's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, and contracts. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively compromise the Durant Municipal Electric Plant's basic financial statements. The schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. These schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion thereon.

HUCKFELDT & SMITH, P.L.C.

July 23, 2007

# DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Durant Municipal Electric Plant provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the year ended December 31, 2006. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the Utility's financial statements, which follow.

This Discussion and Analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- □ The Utility's operating revenues increased 8.9%, or \$125,605 from 2005 to 2006.
- ☐ The Utility's non-payroll generating costs were 10.0%, or \$63,931, higher in 2006 than in 2005.
- The Utility's payroll costs were 6.1% or \$19,009 lower in 2006 than in 2005.
- □ The Utility's net assets increased 19.6%, or \$357,513 from 2005 to 2006.
- □ The Utility's operating expenses increased 5.5%, or \$58,171 from 2005 to 2006.

#### USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The Durant Municipal Electric Plant is an Enterprise Fund and presents its financial statements using the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting, which is the same measurement focus and basis of accounting employed by private sector business enterprises. The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the Utility's financial activities

The Statement of Net Assets presents information on the Utility's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Utility is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets is the basic statement of activities for enterprise funds. This statement presents information on the Utility's operating revenues and expenses, non-operating revenues and expenses and whether the Utility's financial position has improved or deteriorated as a result of the year's activities.

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The Statement of Cash Flows presents the change in the Utility's cash and cash equivalents during the year. This information can assist the user of the report in determining how the Utility financed its activities and how it met its cash requirements.

The Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE UTILITY

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of the Utility's financial position. The Utility's net assets at December 31, 2006 totaled \$2,180,306. This compares to \$1,822,793 at December 31, 2005. A summary of the Utility's net assets is presented below.

Net As	ssets		
Well	December 31,		
	2006	2005	
Current Assets	\$ 671,171	\$ 686,226	
Restricted Cash and Investments	615,149	260,286	
Capital Assets at cost, less accumulated depreciation	1,522,360	1,581,164	
Intangible Assets	2,048	4,922	
Total Assets	2,810,728	2,532,598	
Current Liabilities	210,422	199,805	
Noncurrent Liabilities	420,000	510,000	
Total Liabilities	630,422	709,805	
Net Assets:			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,012,360	986,164	
Unrestricted	1,167,946	836,629	
Total Net Assets	\$ 2,180,306	\$ 1,822,793	

The net assets invested in capital assets e.g., land, buildings and equipment, less the related debt portion of net assets which are resources allocated to capital assets, is 46.4% of net assets. The remaining net assets, 53.6%, are the unrestricted net assets that can be used to meet the Utility's obligations as they come due.

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Changes in Net Assets					
	Year Ended December 31				
	2006	2005			
Operating Income Operating Expenses	\$ 1,538,419 (1,112,565)	\$ 1,412,814 (1,054,394			
Operating Profit	425,854	358,420			
Other Income	52,062	42,162			
Other Expenses  Net Change in Assets	(120,403) \$ 357,513	(121,998) \$ 278,584			

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets reflects a positive year with an increase in the net assets at the end of the fiscal year.

The Statement of Cash Flows presents information related to cash inflows and outflows, summarized by operating, capital and related financing and investing activities. Cash provided by operating activities includes electric generation & distribution fees reduced by payments to employees and to suppliers. Cash used from capital and related financing activities includes lease payments and the purchase of capital assets. Cash used by investing activities includes purchase of certificates of deposits and interest income.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

The Utility's capital assets include land, buildings, vehicles, machinery and equipment, tools and distribution system. Capital assets totaled \$1,522,360 (net of accumulated depreciation) at December 31, 2006. Additional information of the Electric Utility's assets can be found in Schedule A-3 in this report.

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#### LONG TERM DEBT

At December 31, 2006, the Utility had \$510,000 in debt outstanding, a decrease of \$85,000 from 2005. The table below summarizes outstanding debt by type:

		Dec	ember 31,	
		2006		2005
	_		_	
Bonds Payable - See Note 9	\$	510,000	\$	595,000

#### **ECONOMIC FACTORS**

The Durant Municipal Electric Plant continued to improve its financial position during the current year. However, the current condition of the economy in the state continues to be a concern for Utility officials. Some of the realities that may potentially become challenges for the Utility to meet are:

- □ Facilities require constant maintenance and upkeep.
- □ Technology continues to expand and current technology becomes outdated presenting an ongoing challenge to maintain up to date technology at a reasonable cost.

The Utility anticipates the current year will be much like the last and will maintain a close watch over resources to maintain the Utility's ability to react to unknown issues.

#### CONTACTING THE UTILITY'S MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our constituents with a general overview of the Utility's finances and to show the Utility's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact Durant Municipal Electric Plant, 601 4th Street, Durant, Iowa 52747

# DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### EXHIBIT A

#### DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT

Durant, Iowa Statement of Net Assets December 31, 2006

	2006
ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash on Hand	\$ 200
Cash in Bank - General Fund	287,454
Money Market	109,489
Customer Accounts Receivable	157,251
Accrued Interest Receivable	1,438
Material & Supplies Inventory - Note 1	109,823
Fuel Inventory - Note 1	5,516
Total	671,171
INVESTMENTS AND FUND ACCOUNTS:	
Certificates of Deposit-Schedule A-2 Note 5	505,000
Meter Deposit Fund - Investments - Note 5	5,504
Meter Deposit Fund - Checking	17,517
Money Market-Bond Sinking Fund	87,128
Total	615,149
ELECTRIC PLANT: - Note 1	
Intangible Plant	175,621
Production Plant	1,532,113
Transmission Plant	151,967
Distribution Plant	533,574
General Plant	279,503
Radiator	135,829
Substation	897,128
Total	3,705,735
Less: Accumulated Provision for Depreciation	(2,183,375)
Total - Schedule A-3	1,522,360
OTHER ASSETS:	
Unamortized Bonding Costs	734
Unamortized Bond Discount	1,314
Total	2,048
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,810,728

#### EXHIBIT A

#### DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT

Durant, Iowa Statement of Net Assets December 31, 2006

#### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

		2006
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	***************************************	
Accounts Payable	\$	65,355
Sales and Use Tax Payable		3,765
Customer Meter Deposits		21,125
Accrued Interest on Meter Deposits		2,033
Accrued Payroll		578
Accrued Payroll Taxes		3,313
Accrued Vacation and Sick Pay - Note 8		16,609
Prepaid Rent		560
Accrued Interest on Bonds		7,084
Current Portion of Long Term Debt		90,000
Total		210,422
LONG TERM DEBT - LESS CURRENT PORTION		420,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES		630,422
NET ASSETS:		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt		1,012,360
Unrestricted		1,167,946
TOTAL NET ASSETS		2,180,306
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	2,810,728

#### Durant, Iowa

Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets with Comparison to Budget For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

	Actual 2006	Budget 
OPERATING INCOME:		
Residential Sales	\$ 771,498	\$ 720,600
Commercial and Industrial	148,193	158,400
Power	531,173	460,000
Municipal	85,291	88,600
Security Lite	2,264	2,400
Total	1,538,419	1,430,000
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
Production Expense	781,204	812,700
Distribution Expense	175,535	237,300
Customer Accounts Expense	87,585	90,300
Administrative Expense	68,241	77,620
Total	1,112,565	1,217,920
OPERATING PROFIT	425,854	212,080
OTHER INCOME:		
Interest from Investments	13,040	11,900
Penalties	5,105	700
Patronage Dividends	16,347	11,500
Miscellaneous	13,857	68,483
Pole Rental	3,713	4,200
Total	52,062	96,783
OTHER DEDUCTIONS:		
Depreciation	84,157	189,500
Interest Expense	35,108	117,963
Bad Debts	0	400
Miscellaneous	1,138	1,000
Total	120,403	308,863
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	357,513	0
NET ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2005	1,822,793	
NET ASSETS December 31, 2006	\$ 2,180,306	

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#### DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

For the Year Ended December 31, 2006		2006
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CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:  Cash Received from Customers for Electrical Service	\$	1,546,591
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Cash Received for Other Charges and Misc Income		(745,670)
Cash Paid to Suppliers for Generation and Distribution Services		(304,429)
Cash Paid to Employees for Services  Cash Paid to Suppliers for Administrative and General Services		(54,623)
Cash Paid for Sales Taxes		(39,263)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		493,273
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITES:		
Acquisition of Capital Assets		(25,354)
Interest Disbursed on Bonds		(32,963)
NET CASH USED BY CAPITAL AND RELATED		
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(58,317)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Interest Collected		12,709
Principal Payment on Bonds		(85,000)
Sale of Investments Net of (Purchases)	-	(351,469)
NET CASH USED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(423,760)
NET INCREASE IN CASH		11,196
CASH & EQUIVALENTS BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		403,464
CASH & EQUIVALENTS BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	\$	414,660
Reconciliation of Net Change in Net Assets to Cash Provided by Operating Activities		
Net Operating Profit	\$	425,854
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Change in Net Assets to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activ	ities	
Patronage Dividends		16,347
Other Income		22,675
Other Deductions		(1,138)
(Increase) Decrease in Non-Cash Current Assets		23,917
Increase (Decrease) in Current Liabilities		5,618
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	493,273

#### See Notes to Financial Statements.

Durant, Iowa Notes to Financial Statements

#### Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

#### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting:

The financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

The Utility distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the Utility's principal ongoing business. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with standards set forth by The Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized or recorded when they are incurred.

#### Reporting Entity:

For financial reporting purposes, Durant Municipal Electric Plant has included all funds, organizations, account groups, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The Municipal Electric Plant has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship are such that exclusion would cause the financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and (1) the ability to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the Durant Municipal Electric Plant. The Durant Municipal Electric Plant has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

Durant, Iowa Notes to Financial Statements

#### Note 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES: (Continued)

#### Fund Accounting:

The accounts of Durant Municipal Electric Plant are organized as an enterprise fund. Enterprise funds are used to account for operations (a) that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

#### Measurement Focus:

Enterprise funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus. This means that all assets and all liabilities, whether current or non-current, associated with their activity are included on the balance sheet. The operating statement presents increases (revenue) and decreases (expenses) in net assets.

In reporting the financial activity of its enterprise fund, the Durant Municipal Electric Plant applies all applicable GASB pronouncements as well as the following pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless these pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements: Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee on Accounting Procedure.

#### **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting:**

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the utility annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

#### Investments:

Investments consist of CD's and are valued at cost plus any interest earned that is added to the security. Investments are stated at cost.

Durant, Iowa Notes to Financial Statements

#### Note 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES: (Continued)

#### Inventories:

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or market using the first-in, first-out method.

#### Fixed Assets:

Electric Plant fixed assets were established from a survey report by Fulton & Cramer, Consulting Engineers, as of September 30, 1968. The basis of valuation was "Reproduction Cost Net of Depreciation". A copy of the Consulting Engineers' report contained detailed explanations of valuation and depreciation procedures, and is on file in the office of the Electric Plant. Fixed asset additions after September 30, 1968, are recorded at historical cost.

#### Depreciation:

Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets is charged as an expense against operations. Depreciation is provided on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred. Major renewals and betterments are capitalized.

#### Assets, Liabilities and Net Investments:

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the Statement of Net Assets:

<u>Cash</u>, <u>Investments and Cash Equivalents</u> – The Durant Municipal Electric Plant considers all short-term investments that are highly liquid to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months.

<u>Capital Assets</u> — Capital assets are accounted for at historical cost. Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is charged as an expense against operations. The cost of repair and maintenance is charged to expense, while the cost of renewals or substantial betterments is capitalized. The cost and accumulated depreciation of assets disposed of are deleted, with any gain or loss recorded in current operations.

Durant, Iowa Notes to Financial Statements

#### Note 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES: (Continued)

Reportable capital assets are defined by the Durant Municipal Electric Plant as assets with initial, individual costs in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

Asset Class	Amount
Buildings and improvements	\$ 25,000
Equipment and vehicles	5,000

Capital assets of the Durant Municipal Electric Plant are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	Estimated
	Useful lives
Asset Class	(In Years)
Buildings	40-50
Building improvements	20-50
Equipment and vehicles	2-20

<u>Compensated Absences</u> – Durant Municipal Electric Plant employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. Durant Municipal Electric Plant's liability for accumulated vacation has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at December 31, 2006.

#### Note 2 – ORGANIZATION:

Durant Municipal Electric Plant is organized as a municipal utility. It is operated under the control of a Board of Trustees, who are appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council. The Board has three members who serve six-year terms on a two year staggered basis.

Durant, Iowa
Notes to Financial Statements

#### Note 3 - CASH FLOWS DISCLOSURE:

Included in Change in Net Assets for 2006 is \$12,709 of interest received.

The Utility disbursed \$32,963 in interest during 2006.

Cash and Cash Equivalents consist of Cash on Hand; Cash in Bank - General Fund, Money Market, and Meter Deposit Fund-Checking.

#### **Note 4 - CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK:**

Durant Municipal Electric Plant provides commercial and residential electric services to customers in Durant, Iowa. Receivables are from customers with locations in Durant, Iowa and collection of these receivables is dependent on the performance of the local economy.

#### Note 5 - BANK ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS:

The Durant Municipal Electric Plant's bank accounts and investments at December 31, 2006 were entirely covered by Federal depository insurance, or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The Municipal Electric Plant is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board and the Treasurer of the State of Iowa; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants and improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The Durant Municipal Electric Plant had no investments meeting the disclosure requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No.3.

Durant, Iowa Notes to Financial Statements

#### Note 5 – BANK ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS: (Continued)

The Municipal Electric Plant's investments at December 31, 2006 consists of Certificates of Deposit at Liberty Trust and Savings Bank, and one Money Market account at Liberty Trust and Savings Bank as follows:

	Carrying <u>Value</u>
Meter Deposit Fund	\$ 5,504
Operating Fund	<u>505,000</u>
Total CD's	510,504
Money Market Accounts	<u>87,128</u>
Total	<u>\$ 597,632</u>

Book value and market value are the same.

#### Note 6 - PENSION AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS:

The Municipal Electric Plant is a participating employer in the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit retirement system administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits, which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117.

Plan members are required to contribute 3.70% of their annual salary and the Durant Municipal Electric Plant is required to contribute 5.75% of annual covered payroll. Contribution requirements are established by State statute. The Durant Municipal Electric Plant's contribution to IPERS for the year ended December 31, 2006 was \$12,134, equal to the required contributions for the year.

#### Note 7 -RISK MANAGEMENT:

The Utility is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. The Utility assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limits.

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Durant, Iowa Notes to Financial Statements

#### Note 8 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES:

Utility employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation and sick leave hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement or death. These accumulations are recognized as liabilities and expensed as accrued. The approximate liability for earned compensated absences payable to employees at December 31, 2006, is as follows:

TYPE OF BENEFIT	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Vacation	\$ 6,061
Sick leave	10,548
TOTAL	<u>\$16,609</u>

This liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at December 31, 2006.

#### Note 9 - LONG TERM DEBT:

On October 11, 1996, the Utility issued \$1,200,000 in bonds dated October 1, 1996, to perform repairs and upgrades to existing facilities. The bonds were issued at 98.5% of par and have an average coupon rate of 5.4578% and are due ratably over the next 15 years.

Annual debt service requirements for electric revenue notes are as follows:

Year Ending	<u>Principal</u>	Interest	<u>Total</u>
12-31-07	90,000	28,415	118,415
12-31-08	95,000	23,555	118,555
12-31-09	100,000	18,378	118,378
12-31-10	110,000	12,828	122,828
12-31-11	115,000	6,613	121,613
TOTAL	\$ 510,000	\$ 89,789	<u>\$ 599,789</u>

Durant, Iowa Notes to Financial Statements

### Note 9 – LONG TERM DEBT: (Continued)

The resolutions providing for the issuance of the revenue bonds include the following provisions.

- a. The bonds will only be redeemed from the future earnings of the enterprise activity and the note holders hold a lien on the future earnings of the funds.
- b. Sufficient monthly transfers shall be made to a separate revenue note sinking account for the purpose of making the note principal and interest payments when due.

#### Note 10 - CAPITAL ASSETS:

A summary of capital assets at December 31, 2006 is as follows:

	Beg. Of Year	Increase	Decrease	End of Year
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated	\$ 46,040	0	0	\$ 46,040
Capital Assets Being Depreciated	3,663,612	25,3 <u>54</u>	(29,271)	3,659,695
Total Capital Assets	3,709,652	25,354	(29,271)	3,705,735
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(2,128,489)	(84,157)	29,271	(2,183,375)
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$ 1,581,163	(58,803)	0	\$ 1,522,360

Supplemental Data December 31, 2006

DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT
Durant, Iowa
Statement of Indebtedness
Year Ended December 31, 2006

Interest Due & Unpaid	7,084
Interest <u>Paid</u>	32,963 \$
Balance End of <u>Year</u>	\$10,000 \$
Redeemed During $\frac{\overline{Y}ear}{}$	\$ 85,000 \$
Issued During <u>Year</u>	0
Balance Beginning <u>of Year</u>	\$ 000,565
Amount Originally <u>Issued</u>	1,200,000
Interest <u>Rates</u>	5.2-5.75% \$
Date of <u>Issue</u>	10/01/96
<u>Obligation</u>	Revenue Notes: Electric

#### DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT

Durant, Iowa Schedule of Investments December 31, 2006

#### **LIBERTY TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK:**

Certificates of Deposit	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	 Amount
# 91836	3/16/2007	4.40	\$ 25,000
# 91956	6/20/2007	4.35	30,000
# 92253	10/22/2007	4.90	80,000
# 92254	5/22/2007	3.96	70,000
# 92892	12/28/2007	4.94	150,000
# 92893	3/28/2008	4.94	 150,000
			\$ 505,000

# DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT Durant, Iowa Detail of Electric Plant Fixed Assets

Accumulated Disposition Depreciation 12/31/2006	0 \$ 0 0 170,621 0 170,621	0 0 0 178,439 0 19,603 0 61,500 1,438 12,940 0 263,093 1,438	0 500 0 146,021 0 2,349 0 3,097	2,782 70,127 2,257 51,351 2,761 59,029 7,578 68,196 8,529 75,415 995 17,427 1,978 32,723 953 11,367 0 8,380
Depreciation Expense <u>2006</u>	0 0	5,889 0 0 0 25,386	0 0 0	1,609 2,985 2,376 0 414 275 568 96
Accumulated Depreciation 12/31/2005	\$ 0 170,621 170,621	0 172,550 19,603 61,500 14,378 237,707	500 146,021 2,349 3,097 151,967	71,300 50,623 59,414 75,774 83,530 18,147 34,133 12,224 8,380
Cost	\$ 5,000 170,621 175,621	32,050 232,132 19,603 61,500 12,940 1,173,888 1,532,113	500 146,021 2,349 3,097 151,967	78,649 123,875 104,041 68,196 80,903 18,209 35,529 11,768 12,44
	INTANGIBLE PLANT: Organization Expense Construction Cost Total	PRODUCTION PLANT: Land and Land Rights Power House & Bidg Improvements Fuel & Lube Oil System Accessory Electric Equipment Miscellaneous Plant Equipment Generators & Plant Equipment Total	TRANSMISSION PLANT: Clearing Land and Right of Way Station Equipment (Transformer) Poles and Fixtures Overhead Conductors and Devices Total	DISTRIBUTION PLANT: Station Equipment (Capacitors and Battery) Poles, Towers and Fixtures Overhead Conductors and Devices Underground Conduit and Conductors Line Transformers Services Meters Street Lighting and Signals Furnace Total

Durant, Iowa Detail of Electric Plant Fixed Assets December 31, 2006

3,066 21,645 3,875 17,279 262,503 401,059 14,004 95,933 61,645 154,993 98,757 15,364 28,822 5,111 9,644 554,573 Accumulated Depreciation 12/31/2006 0000000 000000 0 Disposition 122 37,895 644 38,539 1,823 3,525 0 1,945 550 Depreciation Expense 2006 61,645 153,170 3,066 21,523 3,875 9,644 516,034 17,279 14,814 110,046 28,822 363,164 14,004 95,289 95,232 5,111 Depreciation 12/31/2005 Accumulated 3,066 21,645 3,875 17,279 117,500 18,329 135,829 8,990 28,822 727,541 14,004 103,016 9,644 5,111 171,404 Cost Office Furniture and Fixtures Transportation Equipment Laboratory Equipment Tools & Work Equipment Land & Land Clearing Engineering & Legal Outdoor Substation Feasibility Studies Stores Equipment GENERAL PLANT: Shop Equipment SUBSTATION: Aerial Lines Transformer Total Total Reclosure Total RADIATOR: Radiator Studies

2,183,375

29,271

84,157

2,128,489

3,705,735

TOTALS

#### DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT

Durant, Iowa Schedule of Cash Balances December 31, 2006

Cash on Hand	\$	200
Cash in Bank - General Fund		287,454
Money Market		109,489
Meter Deposit - Checking		17,517
Total	<u>\$</u>	414,660

#### DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT

Balance Composition December 31, 2006

Depository	_	Demand Deposits	Time eposits & evestments	 Total	-	Maximum Authorized Deposit
Liberty Trust & Savings Durant, Iowa:						
General Capital Improvements Customer Deposits	\$	396,943 87,128 17,517	\$ 505,000 0 5,504	\$ 901,943 87,128 23,021		
Total	\$	501,588	\$ 510,504	\$ 1,012,092	\$	2,000,000

#### DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT

#### Durant, Iowa Schedule of Bond Maturities December 31, 2006

Year Ended	Issued 10-01-96			
December 31	Interest Rate	Amount		
2007	5.4	90,000		
2008	5.45	95,000		
2009	5.55	100,000		
2010	5,65	110,000		
2011	5.75	115,000		
TOT	AL	\$ 510,000		

#### DURANT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC PLANT

Durant, Iowa

Detail of Operating Expenses and Comparison to Budget For the Year Ended December 31, 2006

	2006	Budget
PRODUCTION EXPENSES:	<u> </u>	<u></u>
Labor	\$ 80,218	\$ 93,300
Fuel	13,410	14,200
Maintenance	24,794	22,900
Purchased Power	650,976	668,900
Insurance	11,182	11,500
Safety Expenses	624	1,900
Total	781,204	812,700
DISTRIBUTION EXPENSES:		
Supervision and Labor	111,577	134,400
Stock	34,041	68,700
Maintenance	6,694	13,400
Truck and Transportation	12,041	9,300
Insurance	11,182	11,500
Total	175,535	237,300
CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS EXPENSES:		
Meter Reading Labor	11,641	14,900
Office Salaries	46,326	46,000
Miscellaneous Supplies	15,588	15,900
Energy Efficient	8,326	7,500
Insurance	5,704	5,700
Community Service	<u> </u>	300
Total	87,585	90,300
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES:		
Salaries and Wages	43,548	42,900
Trustee Fees	680	720
Professional Services	10,466	11,000
Dues, Subscriptions and Meetings	5,402	5,800
Telephone	4,846	4,000
Engineering	1,750	9,800
Advertising	765	1,000
Miscellaneous	784	2,400
Total	68,241	77,620
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 1,112,565	\$ 1,217,920

Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance and on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS A PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY COMPANY

#### <u>Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance</u> and on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

To the Board of Trustees Durant Municipal Electric Plant

We have audited the financial statements of Durant Municipal Electric Plant, Durant, Iowa, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, and have issued our report thereon dated July 23, 2007. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, Chapter 11 of the Code of Iowa, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing</u> Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Durant Municipal Electric Plant financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the Durant Municipal Electric Plant's operations for the year ended December 31, 2006 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the Durant Municipal Electric Plant. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes. There were no prior statutory comments.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Durant Municipal Electric Plant's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to

significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgement, could adversely affect the Organization's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Reportable conditions are described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies and other deficiencies we consider to be material weaknesses.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of the control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Durant Municipal Electric Plant's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood a misstatement of Durant Municipal Electric Plant 's that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or deleted by Durant Municipal Electric Plant's internal control. We consider the deficiencies in internal control described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the reportable conditions described above, we believe item A in the attached Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs is a material weakness. Prior year reportable conditions have not been resolved.

#### Durant Municipal Electric Plant Page Three

Durant Municipal Electric Plant's responses to findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. While we have expressed our conclusions on the Durant Municipal Electric Plant's responses, we did not audit Durant Municipal Electric Plant's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of the City of Durant and other parties to whom the Durant Municipal Electric Plant may report. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of the Durant Municipal Electric Plant during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

**HUCKFELDT & SMITH, P.L.C.** 

Herline John M. July 23, 2007

#### Durant Municipal Electric Plant Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year ended December 31, 2006

## Part I: Summary of the Independent Auditor's Results

- (a) An unqualified opinion was issued on the financial statements.
- (b) Reportable conditions in internal control over financial reporting were disclosed by the audit of the financial statements, including a material weakness.
- (c) The audit did not disclose any non-compliance which is material to the financial statements.

## Part II: Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

#### INSTANCES ON NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were reported.

#### REPORTABLE CONDITION:

- A <u>Segregation of Duties:</u> One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. We noted that the cash receipts listing, bank deposits, the posting of the cash receipts to the cash receipts journal, accounts payable, payroll and disbursements processing and postings are all done by the same person.
  - Recommendation We realize that with a limited number of office employees, segregation of duties is difficult. However, the Durant Municipal Electric Plant should continually review its operating procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.
  - Response Segregation of duties involving cash is partially unattainable due to the economic conditions under which the Municipal Electric Plant operates. However, we will continue to investigate available alternatives and implement the ones which are feasible for the Municipal Electric Plant. This is an area of ongoing concern for management and is continually monitored.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

#### Durant Municipal Electric Plant Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year ended December 31, 2006

# <u>Part III: Other Findings Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:</u>

1. <u>Official Depository Bank</u> – The Municipal Electric Plant's official depository bank and amount is:

Liberty Trust & Savings, Durant, Iowa \$2,000,000

A resolution naming this bank as official depository bank is on file with the State Treasurer. The maximum amount stated in the resolution was not exceeded during the year ended December 31, 2006.

- 2. <u>Certified Budget</u> For the year ended December 31, 2006 some of the line item expenditures exceeded budgeted amounts. However, total expenditures did not exceed the budgeted figure.
- 3. <u>Entertainment Expense</u> We noted no disbursements that did not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.
- 4. <u>Travel Expense</u> No expenditures of Municipal Electric Plant money for travel expenses of spouses of Municipal Electric Plant officials and/or employees were noted. No travel advances to officials or employees were noted.
- 5. <u>Related Party Business Transactions</u> No expenditures or money to any was noted.
- 6. <u>Bond Coverage</u> Surety bond coverage of Municipal Electric Plant officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. However, we recommend that the amount of coverage be reviewed annually to insure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- 7. <u>Board Minutes</u> We noted no transactions requiring Board approval which had not been approved by the Board.
- 8. <u>Deposits and Investments</u> No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa and the City's investment policy were noted.